Agency 699

Community and Technical College System

Recommendation Summary

Dollars in Thousands

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	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2003-05 Expenditure Authority	13,927.2	1,033,854	870,301	1,904,155
Total Maintenance Level	15,374.0	1,117,220	945,707	2,062,927
Difference	1,446.8	83,366	75,406	158,772
Percent Change from Current Biennium	10.4%	8.1%	8.7%	8.3%
Performance Changes				
Maintenance and Operations		(17,754)		(17,754)
Washington Public Employee Association Cost of Living Adjustment/Salary Survey		4,568	1,902	6,470
Super Coalition Health Benefits		8,822	2,217	11,039
Washington Federation of State Employees Cost of Living Adjustment/Salary Survey		4,831	1,894	6,725
Classification Revisions		119	6	125
Nonrepresented Employees Cost of Living Adjustment		18,321	3,351	21,672
Nonrepresented Employees Health Benefit Change		13,716	1,831	15,547
Pension Method Change		(8,123)	(1,961)	(10,084)
Nonrepresented Salary Survey Implementation		1,269	407	1,676
General Inflation		(1,284)	(4,309)	(5,593)
Enrollment Growth	50.0	31,914	22,710	54,624
Adult Basic Education Enhanced Funding		5,000	(0.050)	5,000
Job Skills Program		5,000	(2,950)	2,050
Subtotal	50.0	66,399	25,098	91,497
Total Proposed Budget	15,424.0	1,183,619	970,805	2,154,424
Difference	1,496.8	149,765	100,504	250,269
Percent Change from Current Biennium	10.7%	14.5%	11.5%	13.1%
Total Proposed Budget by Activity				
Academic Transfer Instruction (State Supported)	4,283.7	367,373	135,207	502,580
Administration (College and System)	1,882.0	185,243	143,321	328,564
Basic Skills Education (State Supported)	1,042.3	102,390	34,801	137,191
Community Services-Contract Funded Courses	2,422.5	(2,400)	291,427	289,027
Developmental Education (State Supported)	850.8	70,126	26,615	96,741
Student-Funded Courses	720.1	000.440	186,527	186,527
Workforce Education (State Supported)	4,222.8	396,110	139,725	535,835
Compensation Cost Adjustment		64,777	13,182	77,959
Total Proposed Budget	15,424.0	1,183,619	970,805	2,154,424

PERFORMANCE LEVEL CHANGE DESCRIPTIONS

Maintenance and Operations

Consistent with the 2003-05 Biennial Budget, a portion of the State Board's maintenance and operations budget is moved from the General Fund to the Education Construction Account.

Enrollment Growth

In order to address projected population growth, state funding for an additional 3,633 enrollments is provided - 1,686 in Fiscal Year 2006 and 1,947 in Fiscal Year 2007. All FTE students are funded at \$6,000. The two-year colleges will commit 20 percent of the new enrollments to high-demand programs. The remainder of the enrollments will be allocated to the college districts based on the 2005-07 enrollment plan. General enrollments will support academic transfer, workforce education, and basic skills. (General Fund-State, Institutions of Higher Education-Operating Fees Account-Nonappropriated)

Adult Basic Education Enhanced Funding

Nearly 800,000 adults in Washington lack the literacy skills needed to succeed in an increasingly complex world. The two-year colleges are the primary providers of adult basic education in the state of Washington. However, due to recent budget reductions that have been offset by tuition increases, there is a disincentive to serve low-income adult basic education students who receive substantial tuition waivers. The appropriation of \$5 million will add approximately \$125 per FTE student to sustain the more than 19,000 adult basic education FTE students currently being served by the system.

Job Skills Program

Washington's workforce must continually upgrade skills and knowledge in response to global market pressures. This funding is expected to increase the number of workers trained by up to 2,000, in addition to the more than 2,500 workers served by the existing base funds. Funds will be matched by employers as part of the requirements of the Job Skills Program. (General Fund-State, Administrative Contingency Account)

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Academic Transfer Instruction (State Supported)

Academic Transfer education provides a cost-effective way for many students to begin attainment of a baccalaureate degree. Transfer students primarily attain an Associates in Arts or Associates in Science degree. Courses of study include: Business, Social Sciences, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Humanities. (Institutions of Higher Education-Operating Fees Account-Nonappropriated)

Administration (College and System)

Administration of the Community and Technical College System includes Institution Management, Fiscal Operations, General Support Services (administrative data processing and employee personnel and records), Logistical Services (procurement and the movement and control of materials), Community Relations and Development (the maintenance of goodwill relationships with the general public, alumni, or other constituents), and the State Board office.

Basic Skills Education (State Supported)

Basic skills education provides instruction in Adult Basic Education (ABE), English as a Second Language (ESL), and General Education Development (GED) test preparation. Basic skills programs serve students who do not have a high school diploma or equivalent level of education. ABE focuses on students with less than ninth grade reading, writing, and math skills; GED Preparation is for students lacking a high school diploma; and ESL provides language skills for immigrants, refugees, and native Washington citizens with limited English proficiency. (Institutions of Higher Education-Operating Fees Account-Nonappropriated)

Community Services-Contract Funded Courses

Community and technical colleges provide self-supporting educational programs through contract-funded courses paid for by employers or social service agencies for the benefit of their employees or clients. Examples of contract-funded courses include: the Running Start program for high school students; tuition and training for WorkFirst clients; prison inmate literacy and skills programs; instruction for international student organizations; and tailored job and skills training for local businesses. Federal student financial aid, such as Pell grants, Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants, federal work study, and Perkins vocational grants, is also included in this activity. (Institutions of Higher Education-Grants and Contracts-Nonappropriated)

HIGHER EDUCATION

Developmental Education (State Supported)

Developmental education courses are academic in nature and prepare students for college-level courses. The students in these courses are taking credits necessary to qualify for college-level math, English, etc. More than 80 percent of the students in these classes have been out of high school for more than three years. (Institutions of Higher Education-Operating Fees Account-Nonappropriated)

Student-Funded Courses

Community and technical colleges provide self-supporting educational programs through student-funded classes. Most of these courses are offered to students who are not attending college for the purpose of a degree or certificate. The courses are taken to supplement and enhance existing job skills or for personal enrichment. (Institutions of Higher Education-Dedicated Local Account-Nonappropriated)

Workforce Education (State Supported)

Workforce education provides occupational and technical/vocational training to prepare students for careers in a competitive work force. Examples of programs offered include: Administrative Support, Construction Trades, Data Processing/Information Technology, and Nursing. (Institutions of Higher Education-Operating Fees Account-Nonappropriated)

Compensation Cost Adjustment

This item reflects proposed compensation and benefit cost adjustments that were not allocated to individual agency activities. The agency will assign these costs to the proper activities after the budget is enacted.